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Egbert *et al.*

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METHODS OF INCREASING
HARDNESS OF FOOD PRODUCTS

Examiner: Drew E. Becker

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Response to Office Action

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2004, Applicants file the following amendments and remarks for further examination of the above-identified application ("subject application"):

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2; and

Remarks begin on page 5.

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